

Statistical Digest

No. 13

10–19 March 2009

March 2009				
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9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20

Legislation

	10 to 19 March	2009 to date
Bills presented to House		
Government bills	24	49
Private Members' bills	0	0
Senate bills	0	3
Bills referred to the Main Committee	5	11
Bills passed by the House	16	52

Other Business

	10 to 19 March	2009 to date
Number of sitting days	7	18
Hours of sitting*		
House of Representatives Chamber	67 hrs 40 mins	173 hrs 58 mins
Main Committee	26 hrs 32 mins	64 hrs 04 mins
Business conducted in the House†		
Government Business	60 hrs 38 mins	146hrs 40 mins
Private Members' Business	6 hrs 26 mins	15 hrs 42 mins
Other opportunities for Private Members	6 hrs 19 mins	12 hrs 17 mins
Questions without notice	11 hrs 33 mins	23 hrs 11 mins
Matter of public importance	4 hrs 47 mins	8 hrs 51 mins
Business of the House	4 hrs 29 mins	31 hrs 21 mins
Items of private Members' business debated#	5	11
Matters of public importance discussed	5	9
Questions in writing	59	130
Questions without notice	132	269
Petitions presented	13	33
Signatures to petitions	50,226	134,592
Divisions	17	37
Parliamentary committee reports presented	8	15

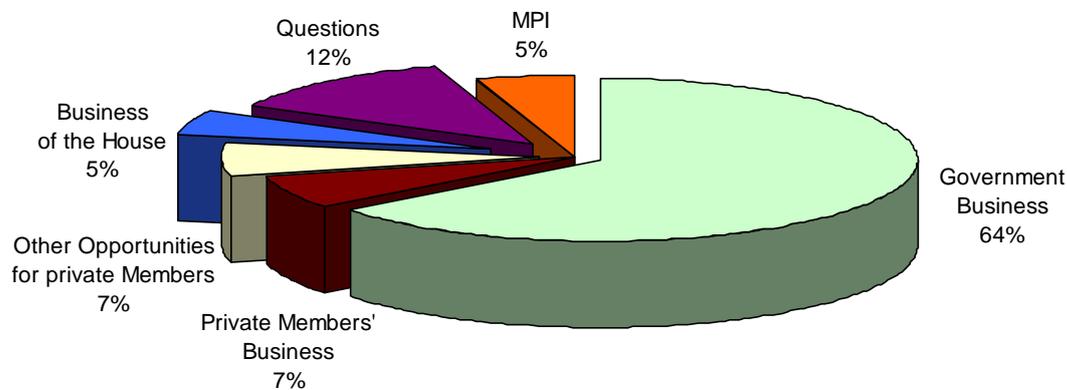
* Excluding time spent on suspensions of sittings.

† Includes Main Committee, see definitions on following page.

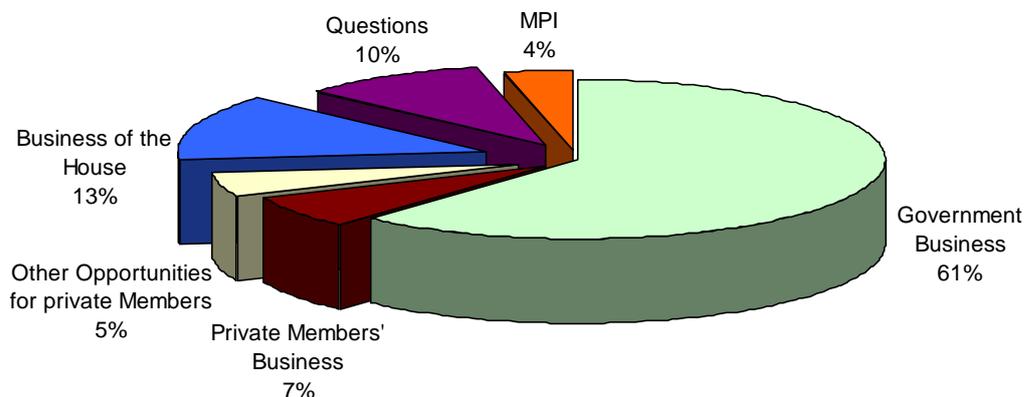
Does not include private Members' bills.

Business conducted in the House of Representatives

10 – 19 March 2009



2009 to date



Includes time spent in the Main Committee.

Government business includes government sponsored legislation and motions (including motions to suspend standing orders) and ministerial statements.

Private Members' business includes legislation and motions (including motions to suspend standing orders) sponsored by private Members and statements by Members.

Other opportunities for private Members includes adjournment, grievance debates and debates on Address in Reply.

Business of the House includes time spent on petitions, giving notices, presentation of papers (excluding motions to take note), privilege matters, personal explanations, dissent motions, announcements of ministerial arrangements, motions to appoint committees (unless moved by private Members), statements and debate on committee reports, motions for addresses, votes of condolence, leave of absence and special adjournment.